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2. Dr. Mar Tormo is a former employee of the MD Anderson Cancer Center, of the University of Texas System, the entity which owns all intellectual property rights of the present invention. Dr. Tormo is a co-inventor of the above-referenced patent application and owes a duty of assignment by virtue of her employment agreement at the University of Texas.

3. In the filing of this patent application, Dr. Tormo executed the Inventors' Oath and Declaration papers on August 30, 1999. However, Dr. Tormo did not initial the change of address information as required.

4. In the normal course of business, I forwarded to Dr. Tormo an Assignment, on May 31, 2001, via Airborne Express to her last known address: Plaza Almansa #1, Valencia 46001, Spain. This shipment was returned. I then obtained another address of Dr. Tormo from a co-inventor of the present Application, Dr. Gabriel Lopez-Berestein, and forwarded to Dr. Tormo the Assignment, on September 13, 2001, via Airborne Express at: Paseo Valldigna 20, Los Monasterios, Valencia, Espana 46530. This shipment was also returned.

5. I then obtained a phone number of Dr. Tormo from Dr. Gabriel Lopez-Berestein and tried to contact her without any success.

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